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Honorable Brett H. Ludwig
United States District Judge
Eastern District of Wisconsin
517 E. Wisconsin Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Re: *United States v. Willie L. Vales*
Case No. 23-cr-14

Dear Judge Ludwig:

Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 12, 2024, the United States now informs the Court that if the defendant waives his right to a jury trial and consents to a bench trial, the United States will not object to a bench trial.

Respectfully submitted,

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